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FROM: Everett Hooper, Reclamation Soils Specialist

RE: Texas Gulf, Inc., Cane Creek Mine, ACT/019/005, Grand

and San Juan Counties

On October 17, 1984, an on-site tour of the Cane Creek mining operation was conducted. In attendance were John Whitehead, Tom Munson, Steve Cox and Everett Hooper from the Division and Mr. R. E. MacAdams representing Texas Gulf.

The purpose of the tour was to allow the review team the chance to see the mining operations.

A point of major concern of the review team was the large amount of NaCl (sodium chloride) that is a by-product of the mining operation, and its means of disposal. Texas Gulf indicated that the salt might be a source of road salt for use during icy conditions and they wish to leave it in an unreclaimed area.

Mr. MacAdams indicated that operation at the mine might be expanded and Texas Gulf wanted to wait until this expansion could be included in the Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) before it was submitted to the Division. January 1985 was the tentative date the MRP would be ready.

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